

Country Information Guide



Greece

A guide to information sources on the Hellenic Republic, with hyperlinks to information within European Sources Online and on external websites

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Information sources in the ESO database

- [Greece – External / Internal / Regions](#)

General information

- Greece: Government portal: [Ermis](#)
- Greece: [Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#) (Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών)
- Greece: Ministry of Interior: [Secretariat General of Information and Communication](#) (in Greek)
- Greece: [Greek National Tourism Organization \(GNTO\)](#)
- European Union: [Greece](#)
- United Nations: [Greece](#)
- Wikipedia: [Greece](#)
- United Kingdom: Foreign and Commonwealth Office: [Greece](#)
- United States: CIA World Factbook: [Greece](#)
- United States: Department of State: [Greece](#)
- BBC News: Country Profile: [Greece](#)
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: World data: [Greece](#)
- The Guardian: World news: [Greece](#)
- Google: Find websites on Greece through [Google](#)
- SearchEnginesoftheWorld: European Search Engines, Directories and Lists: [Greece](#)
- NationMaster: [Greece](#)
- UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies Library: Internet resources on [Greece](#)

Agricultural information

- Greece: [Ministry of Rural Development and Food](#) (Υπουργείο Αγροτικής Ανάπτυξης και Τροφίμων)
- Greece: [National Agricultural Research Foundation](#) [in Greek]
- European Commission: Agriculture and Rural Development: Rural Development 2014-2020:Country file: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: European Network for Rural Development: [Country Information](#) [click on map to select country]
- AgroWeb Network: Central and Eastern Europe: [Greece](#)
- FAO: Country Profiles: Agriculture: [Greece](#) [select theme]
- OECD: Agriculture and Fisheries: [Greece](#)
- Organic Europe: Organic Farming in Europe: [Greece](#)

Competition policy information

- Greece: [Hellenic Competition Commission](#)
- OECD: Competition: [Greece](#)

Culture and language information

- Greece: [Ministry of Culture and Sports](#) (Υπουργείο Πολιτισμού και Αθλητισμού)
- Greece: [Centre for the Greek Language](#)
- European Commission: Programmes: Creative Europe: Tools: Creative Europe Desks: [Greece](#) [select country]

- Council of Europe/ERICarts: Cultural Policies and Trends in Europe: [Greece](#)
- UNESCO: World Heritage Convention: [Greece](#)
- SIL International: Ethnologue: Languages of the World: [Greece](#)
- University of the Highlands and the Islands: [European Minority Languages](#)

Defence and security information

- Greece: [Ministry of National Defence](#) (Υπουργείο Εθνικής Άμυνας)
- Greece: [National Intelligence Agency](#) (NIS)

Economic information

- ESO: Greece: [Economic situation](#)
- Greece: [Ministry of Finance](#) (Υπουργείο Οικονομικών)
- Greece: [Bank of Greece](#) (Τράπεζα της Ελλάδος)
 - [Annual Reports](#)
 - [Other publications](#)
 - [Statistics](#)
- Greece: [Athens Exchange S. A.](#)
- European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in your country: [\[Greece\]](#)
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:
 - Economies of Member States: [Greece](#)
 - Stability and Growth Programme: [National Reform Programme 2016](#)
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: Measuring performance: Country Factsheets: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Taxation and Customs Union: Taxes in Europe Database: [Greece](#)
- + European Bank for Reconstruction and Development: The EBRD in [Greece](#)
- International Monetary Fund: [Greece](#) and the IMF
- OECD: Countries: [Greece](#)
- OECD: [Economic Survey of Greece](#) [Latest survey: 2016]
- UNIDO: Country profile: [Greece](#)
- UNCTAD/WTO: International Trade Centre: [Greece](#)
- WTO: [Greece and the WTO](#)
- United States: Commercial Service: Doing Business in [Greece](#)
- Greece: Foundation for Economic and Industrial Research (IOBE / FEIR): [Report on the Greek Economy](#) (quarterly)

Education information

- Greece: [Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs](#) (Υπουργείο Παιδείας Έρευνας και Θρησκευμάτων)
- Council of Europe/European Union: Youth Partnership: Knowledge / EKCYP: Countries: [Background information on youth policy](#)
- European Commission: Education & training: Study in Europe: Higher Education in [Greece](#) [click on map to select country]
- European Commission: Programmes: Erasmus+: Tools: [National-agencies](#) [select country]
- European Commission: Youth Partnership: [Youth Policy in Greece](#)
- Eurydice: Eurypedia - The European Encyclopedia on National Education Systems: [Greece](#)
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: [Education](#) [select topic then country]
- Council of Europe/UNESCO/European Commission: ENIC-NARIC – Gateway to Recognition of Academic and Professional Qualifications: [Greece](#)

- UNESCO Institute for Statistics: [Education in Greece](#) [Select country]
- OECD: Education: [Greece](#)
- Council of Europe: Cultural Cooperation: Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights: [Greece](#) [Select country from the list]
- World Bank: World DataBank: [Education Statistics - All Indicators](#) [select country, series and time]
- Wikipedia: [Education in Greece](#)

Employment information

- Greece: [Ministry of Labour and Social Security](#) (Υπουργείο Εργασίας και Κοινωνικής Ασφάλισης) [in Greek]
- Greece: Greek General Confederation of Labour: [Institute of Labour](#) (INE) [in Greek]
- European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in your country: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: EURES: Living & Working: [Greece](#)
- Eurofound: Home: Observatories: European Observatory of Working Life - EurWORK: [Industrial relations country profiles](#)
- European Trade Union Institution: Worker Participation: National Industrial Relations: [Greece](#)
- Federation of European Employers: Industrial Relations Across Europe: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Key Employment Statistics: [Greece](#)
- International Labour Organization: NATLEX: [Greece](#)

Energy information

- Greece: [Ministry of Environment and Energy](#) (Υπουργείο Περιβάλλοντος και Ενέργειας)
- Greece: [Center For Renewable Energy Sources And Saving \(CRES\)](#)
- European Commission: DG Energy:
 - [Statistics by Country](#)
 - [Energy Statistical Pocketbook](#) [select year and country]
 - [National Renewable Energy Action Plan](#) [select country]
- International Energy Agency:
 - Countries: [Greece](#)
 - Statistics and Balances: [Greece](#)
- United States: Energy Information Administration: [Greece](#)

Environmental information

- Greece: [Ministry of Environment and Energy](#) (Υπουργείο Περιβάλλοντος και Ενέργειας)
- European Commission: DG Environment: LIFE Programme: [Greece](#)
- European Environment Agency:
 - EIONET - European Environment Information and Observation Network: [Greece](#)
 - SERIS - State of the Environment Reporting Information System: [Greece](#)
- European Environmental Bureau: Members: [Greece](#)
- FAO: Country Profiles: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Environment: [Greece](#)
- Greenpeace International: [Greece](#)

European policies and relations with the European Union

- Greece: Ministry of Foreign Affairs [Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών]: Foreign Policy: [Greece in the EU](#)
- Greece: Ministry of Economy, Development and Tourism [Υπουργείο Οικονομίας, Ανάπτυξης και Τουρισμού]: [NSRF 2014-2020](#)
- Greece: [Bank of Greece \(Τράπεζα της Ελλάδος\)](#)
 - [The euro](#)
 - [Single Euro Payments Area \(SEPA\)](#)
 - [Monetary Policy and Eurosystem](#)
 - [Research and Publications](#)
 - [Annual Report](#)
- European Union: Member Countries: [Greece](#)
- European Union: Europe Direct Information Network: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: Representation in [Greece](#) [in Greek]
- European Commission: Enterprise Europe Network: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs:
 - [Greece](#)
 - [Greece and the Euro](#)
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Agriculture and Rural Development: Rural Development Policy 2014-2020: [Greece](#)
- European Parliament: EP Information Offices in: [Greece](#) [select country]
- European Investment Bank: Finance Contracts Signed in: [Greece](#)
- European Parliament: Information Office: [Greece](#) [in Greek]
- Council of Europe: Member States: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Countries: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Delegations: [Greece](#)

Geographic information and maps

- FAO: Forestry Country Information: Maps: [Greece](#)
- Lonely Planet: [Map of Greece](#)
- Maps of the World: [Greece](#)
- University of Texas: Perry Castañeda Library Map Collection: [Greece Maps](#)

Health information

- Greece: [Ministry of Health](#) (Υπουργείο Υγείας) [in Greek]
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Health: National contacts in [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Health & Food Safety: Public health: [Country](#)
- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)
 - Country Overview: [Greece](#)
 - Country Legal Profile: [Greece](#) [Select country]
 - Drug treatment profiles: [Greece](#)
 - National Drug Strategies: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Health: [Greece](#)
- World Health Organisation: [Greece](#)
 - Countries: [Greece](#)
 - Regional Office for Europe: [Greece](#)
 - European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies: [Greece](#)

Human rights information

- Greece: [National Commission for Human Rights](#)
- Council of Europe
 - European Social Charter: [National Reports](#) [Select country]
 - European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: State documents and visits: [Greece](#)
- European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI): Report on [Greece](#)
- European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission): Documents on [Greece](#)
- European Court of Human Rights:
 - Country profiles: [Greece](#)
 - [Country fact sheets 1959-2010](#)
 - [Violation by Article and By State 1959-2013](#) [select country]
 - [Statistics on Judgments by State 1959-2010](#)
- United Nations:
 - Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: [Greece](#)
 - UNHCR – The UN Refugee Agency: Country Information: [Greece](#)
- United States: Department of State:
 - Country Reports on Human Rights Practices: [Greece](#) (2015)
 - Reports on International Religious Freedom: [Greece](#) (2013)
- Amnesty International: Country Report 2015/6: [Greece](#)
- Human Rights Watch: Human Rights in [Greece](#)
- Reporters Without Borders: Freedom of Information in [Greece](#)

Intellectual property information

- Greece: [Industrial Property Organisation](#) (O.B.I.)
- European Patent Office: Directory of Patent Information Centres: [Greece](#)
- World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO): Member States: [Greece](#)

Investment information

- Greece: [ELKE](#) (Hellenic Centre for Investment)
- OECD: Investment: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Industry and Entrepreneurship: [Greece](#)
- World Bank: [Greece](#)
- United Kingdom: UK Trade & Investment: Country Profile: [Greece](#)
- United States Commercial Service: Doing business in [Greece](#)

Justice and home affairs information

- Greece: [Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights](#) (Υπουργείο Δικαιοσύνης, Διαφάνειας και Ανθρωπίνων Δικαιωμάτων)
 - [Organisation of the Greek Penitentiary System](#)
 - [Legislation](#)
 - [Prevention and Control of Crime](#)
- Greece: [Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reconstruction](#) (Υπουργείο Εσωτερικών και Διοικητικής Ανασυγκρότησης)
 - [National Elections](#)
 - [Municipal & Prefectural elections](#)
 - [EU Elections](#)
- European Commission: DG Justice: Data Protection: National Policy Documents: [Greece](#)

- Council of Europe
 - European Commission for Democracy through Law: Documents on [Greece](#)
 - Group of States against Corruption (GRECO): [Evaluation and Compliance Reports](#) [Select country]
- OECD: Bribery and Corruption: [Greece](#)
- United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: Nations: [Greece](#)
- University of Bern: International Constitutional Law: Countries: [Greece](#)
- EUDO Observatory on Citizenship: Citizenship laws and policy: [Greece](#)

Living and working information

- Greece: Government Portal Ermis: [My needs](#)
- European Commission: DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion: EURES – The European Job Mobility Portal: Living & Working in [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Press and Communication: [Your Europe](#) [select topic]
- Eurofound - European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions: [Greece](#)
 - European Observatory of Working Life (EURWORK): [Greece](#)
- United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Travel and Living Abroad: [Greece](#)
- United States: Department of State: Countries: [Greece](#)
- JustLanded.com: [Greece](#)

Media information

- Greece: Secretariat General of Information & Communication: [Media](#)
 - Press Offices of: [Public Authorities, Ministries and Political Parties](#)
 - [Greek Media Unions and Associations](#)
 - [Press Foundations](#)
- European Broadcasting Union: [Active Members](#) [select country]
- European Journalism Centre: Media Landscape: [Greece](#)
- European Newspaper Publishers Association: ENPA Members: [Greece](#)
- ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and News Media: [Greece](#)
- Guardian News & Media Ltd: World News Guide: [Greece](#)
- Newslink: European Newspapers: [Greece](#)
- Radiomap.eu: [Greece](#)
- Online Newspapers: [Greece](#)

Political information (including Elections)

- ESO: Greece: [Political situation](#)
- ESO: Greece: Political situation: [Elections](#)
- Greece: [Hellenic Government \(Ελληνική Κυβέρνηση\)](#) [in Greek]
- Greece: [The Constitution of Greece](#)
- Greece: [Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights](#) (Υπουργείο Δικαιοσύνης, Διαφάνειας και Ανθρωπίνων Δικαιωμάτων)
- Greece: [Secretariat General of Communication and Information](#)
 - [Political System and Elections](#)
- Greece: [Hellenic Parliament \(Βουλή των Ελλήνων\)](#)
- Greece: [Prime Minister \(Πρωθυπουργός\)](#)
- Greece: [Presidency of the Hellenic Republic \(Προεδρία της Ελληνικής Δημοκρατίας\)](#)

- Greece: [Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform \(Υπουργείο Εσωτερικών και Διοικητικής Ανασυγκρότησης\)](#)
 - [National Elections](#)
 - [Municipal and Prefectural Elections](#)
 - [EU Elections](#)
- OECD: Public governance: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Regulatory reform: [Greece](#)
- International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES): Election Guide: [Greece](#)
- NCCR Democracy:
 - [Democracy Barometer](#)
 - [EU Profiler](#)
- Parties and Elections in Europe: [Greece](#)
- United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: [Greece](#)
- Wikipedia: Politics of [Greece](#)
- Wikipedia: Elections in [Greece](#)

Public management information

- Greece: [Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reform \(Υπουργείο Εσωτερικών και Διοικητικής Ανασυγκρότησης\)](#)
- Greece: [Information Society \(I.S.\)](#)
- European Commission: Interoperability Solutions for European Public Administrations (ISA): Joinup:
 - Communities: National Interoperability Framework Observatory (Nifo): [eGovernment Factsheets](#)
- OECD: Public governance: [Greece](#)

R&D information

- Greece: [Ministry of Environment, and Energy](#) (Υπουργείο Περιβάλλοντος και Ενέργειας)
 - [Green Growth](#)
 - [Energy](#)
 - [Regional Planning and Urban Development](#)
- European Commission: DG Enterprise: Community Research and Development Information Service (CODIS): National R&D Information Service: [Greece](#)
- European Commission: DG Research and Innovation:
 - European Research 2004-2009: [Greece](#)
 - [European Research Area 2013](#)
- European Commission: Innovation Union:
 - [Innovation Union Competitiveness Report 2013](#)
 - [Research and Innovation performance in Country 2014](#)
- European Regions Research & Innovation Network (ERRIN): [Members](#) [click on map to select country]
- OECD: Innovation: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Science and technology: [Greece](#)

Regional and local information

- European Commission: Eurostat: [Regions](#)
- European Commission: European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF): [Greece](#)
- Committee of the Regions: Europe in my Region: [Greece](#)
- Assembly of European Regions: AER Member Regions: [Greece](#)

- European Regions Research & Innovation Network: ERRIN Members: [Greece](#) [select country]
- Council of Europe: The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities: National Delegation: [Greece](#)
- OECD: Regional, Rural and Urban Development: [Greece](#)
- Hellenic Regions-Peripheries
 - Administration of Attica
 - [Attica Periphery](#)
 - Administration of Central and Eastern Macedonia-Thrace
 - [East Macedonia and Thrace Periphery](#)
 - [Central Macedonia Periphery](#)
 - Administration of Epirus and Western Macedonia
 - [Epirus Periphery](#)
 - [West Macedonia Periphery](#)
 - Administration of Thessaly and Sterea Ellada
 - [Thessaly Periphery](#)
 - [Periphery of Sterea Ellada](#) (Central Greece)
 - Administration of Peloponnese, Western Greece and the Ionian Islands
 - [Peloponnese Periphery](#)
 - [West Greece Periphery](#)
 - [Ionian Islands Periphery](#)
 - Administration of the Aegean
 - [Northern Aegean Periphery](#)
 - [Southern Aegean Periphery](#)
 - Administration of Crete
 - [Crete Periphery](#)

Social information

- Greece: [Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Social Solidarity \(Υπουργείο Εργασίας, Κοινωνικής Ασφάλισης και Κοινωνικής Αλληλεγγύης\)](#) [in Greek]
- European Commission:
 - DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion: Your Social Security Rights in [Greece](#)
 - MISSOC Secretariat: [Organisation of Social Protection](#)
 - MISSOC Secretariat: [Social Protection of the Self-Employed](#)
 - DG Regional Policy: InfoRegio: [European Social Progress Index](#) [information is broken down by region in each country]
- Council of Europe: European Social Charter: Country Factsheets: [Greece](#)
- OECD: [Insurance and Pensions](#)
- OECD: Social and Welfare Issues: [Greece](#)
- UNICEF: [Greece](#)
- United States: Social Security Administration:
 - Research, Statistics & Policy Analysis: [Greece](#)
 - Social Security Programs Throughout the World: [Greece](#) (2016)

Statistical information

- Greece: Bank of Greece: [Statistics](#)
- Greece: [Hellenic Statistical Authority \(EL.STAT.\)](#)
- Eurostat: Country profiles: [Greece](#) [select country]
- OECD: Country Statistical Profile: [Greece](#) [select country]
- UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: Country and Regional Profiles: [Greece](#) [select country]
- United Nations: Statistics Division: Country Profiles: [Greece](#)

- World Bank: Data: Countries and Economies: [Greece](#)
- NationMaster: Nations of the World: Statistics on [Greece](#)

Tourism information

- Greece: [Greek National Tourism Organization \(GNTO\)](#)
- Guardian News and Media Ltd.: Travel: [Greece](#)
- The Telegraph: [Greece](#)
- Lonely Planet: [Greece](#)
- Rough Guides: [Greece](#)
- TripAdvisor: Europe Tourism: [Greece](#)

Transport information

- Greece: [Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks](#) (Υπουργείο Υποδομών, Μεταφορών και Δικτύων)
- Greece: [Aegean Airlines](#)
- Greece: [National Railway](#)
- European Commission: DG Mobility & Transport:
 - [EU Transport in Figures: Statistical Pocketbook 2016](#)
 - [Road Safety: How is your country doing?](#) (select year)
- Wikipedia: Transport in [Greece](#)

Weather information

- Greece: [Hellenic National Meteorological Service \(HNMS\)](#)
- BBC: Weather: Country Guides: [Greece](#)
- World Meteorological Organization: World Weather Information Service: [Greece](#)

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